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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John C. Harvey and James W. Cuddihy:

Serial No.: 08/477,711

Filed: June 7, 1995

For: SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND

**METHODS** 

Group Art Unit: 2742

Examiner: SAINT-

SURIN, J.

Atty Dkt: 05634.0312

SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.129(a)

**BOX:** After Final

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the finality of the final rejection dated February 18, 1998 be withdrawn in view of this timely filed first submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). Our Check No. 160912 is enclosed for payment of the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(r). The present application has an effective pendency of at least two years as of June 8, 1995, taking into account any reference of record to any earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. § 120, 121 and 365(c). This petition and the fee set forth in § 1.17(r) are being filed prior to the filing of an appeal brief and prior to abandonment of the application. Applicants therefore 06/22/1998 SSALEEKU 00000015 08477711

02 FC:146 respectfully requests the total amendment and request for reconsideration previously filed be entered.

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed February 18, 1998, for which a response period expiring on May 18, 1998 was set. The extended period expires on June 18, 1998.

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However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

Date: <u>June 17, 1998</u> **HOWREY & SIMON** 

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Respectfully submitted,

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid for	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	
Total	*38	Minus	**38	=0	x \$ 22.00	\$0.00	]
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First Presentation of Mult. Dep. Claim x \$ 270.00						\$0.00	
Total Additional Filing Fee for Request for Extension of Time						\$110.00	
Fee for 37 C.F.R. 1.129(a) Submission						\$790.00	
Total Fee Enclosed					\$900.00	7	

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- Howrey & Simon check no. 160942 in the amount of \$900.00 is enclosed. [X]
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. This sheet is submitted in triplicate.
  - [x] Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - [x]Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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